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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated April 24, 2003, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

The amendments presented below are in compliance with the revised amendment format permitted in the Notice from the Office of Patent Legal Administration of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office dated February 10, 2003, and published at 1267 OG 106 on February 25, 2003. Thus, the provisions of 37 CFR 1.121(a), (b), (c) and (d) are waived for amendments made in this application to the claims, specification, and drawings.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

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Please amend the application as follows: